

House Resolution 459

By: Representatives Davis of the 109th, Yates of the 73rd, Lunsford of the 110th, and Mayo of the 91st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing February 25, 2009, as Henry County Day at the state capitol; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, founded in 1821 and named after Patrick Henry, the 324 mile area of Henry
4 County is home to an estimated 180,000 Georgians, with major cities such as McDonough,
5 Stockbridge, Locust Grove, and Hampton; and

6 WHEREAS, the county seat of Henry County is McDonough, a city named after
7 Commodore Thomas Macdonough; and

8 WHEREAS, Henry County is home to McDonough's Brown House, which was built in 1826
9 as the home for Andrew McBride, a revolutionary war veteran from South Carolina, was
10 expanded in 1874 to serve as the Brown House Hotel, and currently houses the Henry County
11 Historical Society; and

12 WHEREAS, McDonough is also the site of such historic gems as the 1897 Romanesque style
13 courthouse and the Shingleroof Methodist Campground, which was used as a training
14 ground for Confederate soldiers during the Civil War; and

15 WHEREAS, Henry County attracts sports fans from around the state and country each year
16 with events like the Chick-fil-A Charity Championship, the Roberto Clemente Little League
17 World Series, and two major NASCAR events at Atlanta Motor Speedway; and

18 WHEREAS, located just east of Stockbridge, the 537 acre Panola Mountain State
19 Conservation Park surrounds a million year old monadnock; and

20 WHEREAS, many festivals are held throughout the year in Henry County, including the Old
21 Stockbridge Days Festival, the Fairview Fall Festival, Old Locust Grove Days, the Geranium
22 Festival, and the Henry County Fair; and

23 WHEREAS, a county that supports great economic growth for the state and has such rich
24 history and traditions is worthy of recognition by this body.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body recognize the great achievements of Henry County and its citizens
27 and recognize February 25, 2009, as Henry County Day at the state capitol.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
29 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to members of the public and
30 the press.